GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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ASSOCIATION OF CIVIL SOCIETY TO COUNTER TERRORISM
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any policy to associate civil society to counter terrorism in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to initiate a civil defence movement in the country;

(d) if so, the mechanism proposed therefor; and

(e) the ratio of expenditure to be shared by the Union and the State Government?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) & (b): The public at large is sensitized from time to time to cooperate with law enforcement agencies about suspicious elements and objects.

(c) & (d): Civil Defence is a critical component for disaster management. Civil defence is utilized for mitigation, prevention and preparedness for disasters as well as for response and relief in the aftermath of a disaster. The Natural Disaster Management Authority has been constituted and the states also advised to constitute similar authorities at the State level.

(e): As per present norm, 50% contribution is made by the Central Government in the North East Region excluding Assam and 25% in all other States including Assam.